

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/572,889	Examiner: Aaron Robert Eastman
Applicants: Ian David Stones et al.	Art Unit: 3745
Title: VACUUM PUMP	Confirmation No.: 2998
Filed: March 20, 2006	Atty. Docket No.: M03B312

Commissioner for Patents
MAIL STOP **AMENDMENT**
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action of March 28, 2011, Applicants hereby request for a continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and a two-month extension of time. Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request for reconsideration of the application based on the amendments and remarks provided.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this Response.